



# Queen Anne Cobblestone

*The Newsletter of the Queen Anne Historical Society, Seattle, WA*

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## **Seattle 150; Sesquicentennial Expo Draws Many**

The Nov. 12-13, 2001 Seattle 150 Heritage Expo at Seattle Center drew an enthusiastic crowd to mark Seattle's 150th Birthday. Heritage groups from all over the county set up booths to show their artifacts and publications.

The QAHS booth had a steady stream of visitors, some familiar with us, some with no idea where Queen Anne was. Volunteers Del Loder, John Hennes, Bob Frazier, Kim Turner, Christine Kaufman and Ruth Mathews took turns answering questions.

The highlight of the sesquicentennial was the reenactment at Alki, in the rain appropriately, of the landing of the first settlers from the schooner *Exact*.

## **Crown of lights Winners Announced**

This year's winners of the annual Queen Anne Historical Society's "Crown of Lights" holiday lighting contest were chosen Dec. 18th.

The winners were:

**Norman and Susan Milks of 419 Wheeler Street**, for the "on the Boulevard" category.

**Beven and Kim Ford of 159 McGraw Street**, for the "off the Boulevard" category.

Both winners will be presented

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## **Exploring our Archives Wed. Jan. 16, 7:30 pm**

As we start Seattle's second one-hundred and fifty years it seems time to consider where we are, what we have accomplished and what is the state of our historical archive? This month's membership meeting will feature our own members as speakers and our own archives as the focus.

We will first view a video produced by David Marriott in 1991, entitled "Queen Anne: City Within a City." This has not been seen at our meetings since that time. Next we will review a few of the photographic slides in our collection and seek your help in identifying their details. We will finish by considering what is the role of the Queen Anne Historical Society, and how do we keep the heritage movement alive on Queen Anne?

Come prepared to chat and discuss.

**Join your neighbors at our next public meeting  
Wed., Jan. 16th, 7:30 pm  
McClure Middle School Library  
First Ave. West and West Crockett St.**

The meeting is free and open to the public. It begins at 7:30 pm at McClure Middle School library, 1915 1st Ave. West, on Queen Anne. For more information, contact John Hennes at 206-284-2266.



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**MEMBERSHIP NOTICE**

We thank all of our members for your vital support. Our 2000-2001 membership year ended May 31. Please take a moment to use the coupon on page 3 to renew for the current year or next year (2003). We rely on your support and participation in preserving Queen Anne's story and introducing new neighbors to Queen Anne.

For more information, contact our Membership Chair, Nadine Belcher, at 206-284-8369.

**CALENDAR OF**

**Wed. Jan. 16, 2002**

**Program:** A review of recent heritage events and our past year. Archive photos will be shown McClure Middle School Library, 7:30 pm. Free. (See story page 1)

**Wed. Mar. 20, 2002**

**Program:** To be determined. Topics under consideration include the story of our P-Patches, Greg Lange on Seattle houses, or others. McClure Middle School Library, 7:30 pm. Free.

**Wed. May 15, 2002**

**Program:** To be determined. This is the Society's Annual Meeting and elections. McClure Middle School Library, 7:30 pm. Free.

**Sat. June 15, 2002**

**Walking Tour:** Our annual tour of historic Mt. Pleasant Cemetery. Meet at entrance, 7th Ave. W and W Raye St. Time 10:00 am. Free.



*Crown of Lights* (Continued from page 1) with an award certificate from the President of the QAHS board (Bob Frazier) along with a gift certificate.

The members of the society wish to thank all those who participated in this year's contest and acknowledge the efforts of this year's judges; **Bob Frazier, Isabel Eggin, Nadine Belcher and Pat Sobeck.**

Additionally, we'd like to extend a special thanks to **Del Loder** for once again providing the transportation and to **Reonn Rabon of The Green Gables Bed & Breakfast** for the use of their charming accommodations!

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The Queen Anne Historical Society was formed to record and preserve, in permanent form, the history of the settling of the Queen Anne community and to develop within the community an appreciation and concern for its history and its historical sites.

## SOCIETY NEWS

### Our Landmark Library

The Landmarks Preservation Board unanimously voted to designate the Fremont, Queen Anne and University libraries as landmark buildings on Dec. 19, 2001. The designation means the Library will submit its plans to renovate the libraries to the landmarks board for its approval.

Landmark consideration is part of the public review process of structures that are important to the life and heritage of the city. Libraries fall under this review process. Buildings and structures more than 25 years old are eligible for Seattle landmark nomination. The landmarks board evaluates buildings before they are altered or demolished.

### Flower & Garden Show Volunteers Needed

This year's Northwest Flower and Garden Show, Feb. 6-10, will include a special display on the Sept. 11 Flower Memorial at the Seattle Center.

A one-day memorial turned into a three-day massive flower vigil with over 75,000 people leaving over a million flowers. The flowers have been composted and will be partly returned to the soil in a memorial garden at the new flag pavilion grounds.

Isabel Egglin was instrumental in the original project and is looking for volunteers to work at a recreation of the original Sept. 11 memorial that will be part of the Flower and Garden Show.

**If you can help, call Isabel at 206-286-3605.**

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## Historic Seattle to Explore Queen Anne in May

Historic Seattle will be conducting their 2002 Neighborhood Exploration Program on Queen Anne. Each year recently the non-profit organization has focused on a Seattle neighborhood, such as Capitol Hill and Columbia City.

This year, from May 5-14, 2002, we will be collaborating with Historic Seattle in several programs about Queen Anne.

Historic Seattle is dedicated to the preservation of Seattle and King County's architectural legacy. It was founded in 1973, three years after the QAHS was founded.

The programs in May will include two evening lecture/panel discussions on Tuesday, May 7 and 14, a walking tour of the south slope on Saturday, May 11 (9 amnoon, conducted by the Seattle Architectural Foundation) and an open house tour of West Queen Anne School on Sunday, May 5.

Each of these programs will require tickets. Each of our members will be shortly receiving the 2002 program bulletin for Historic Seattle, describing the Neighborhood Exploration of

Queen Anne on pages 16-19.

We urge our members to check the program schedule and costs and decide what might prove most interesting to you.

This focus on Queen Anne will be a unique opportunity for our neighbors and ourselves to get a comprehensive look at how we came to be, what we are and where we are going.

The panels will start with Paul Dorpat and his wonderful photos of our past and present. A panel of long-time residents will provide some colorful commentary.

Mimi Sheridan will moderate a panel of today's community organizations and government officials to consider changes we have gone through and changes we may have to face up to in the future.

The West Queen Anne open house, noon to 4 pm, will cost \$10 and is a fund raiser to help them with their preservation efforts.



*Yes, I want to join the Queen Anne Historical Society in preserving our community's heritage and promoting the public's understanding of its past.*

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

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Yes, I want to order the Society's book, *Queen Anne—Community on the Hill*, for \$25 a copy (\$20 for paid-up members). Enclosed is a check for

I would like to become active in the Queen Anne Historical Society.

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***Coming up: Historic Seattle to feature Queen Anne in its May programs.***



**NOTES FROM THE ARCHIVES**  
**BY KIM TURNER**

Happy New Year (and let's not wreck this one!) Here in the darkened wintry days is a shining light - Seattle Public Library. Let all who read Cobblestone know that books are still a choice item for those winter days when the weather outside somewhat precludes outdoor activities.

A new project beginning now has been set up by Lorraine McConaghay of MOHAI. Twelve volunteers from local history groups are to read a month of the Seattle P-I from 1878 and keep a log, journal, etc. of what they find. For the next three years each will be responsible for reporting on Seattle/King County reactions to international, national and local news, and note which vital statistics appear. And, yes, we will be tested on this!

Your archivist volunteered to do June, as it is my birth month. Should be interesting, 65 years before I was born - what was going on, who was selling, who

was buying. To be continued as project continues. Any sorts of Queen Anne history will be added to our archive.



*The QA Counterbalance in 1902, from QA & Mercer. Note the Kinnear house at left, the wooden sidewalks and grading for a second set of tracks.*

**Interested in becoming more involved with the Queen Anne Historical Society?  
Join the Board of Trustees! Call John Hennes at (206) 284-2266 for more details  
about how you can share in making and keeping Queen Anne's history.**